ABSTRACT

A registration service enables one or more plug-in applications to register with a web-based application. The web-based application may be, for example, a management console for managing items in a distributed environment. The registration service enables plug-in applications to register dynamically or statically. Dynamic registration enables the web-based console to continue executing while registration is performed. In contrast, static registration occurs during initialization of the web-based console. Each plug-in application provides a registration descriptor containing information regarding the plug-in application. The registration descriptor is processed by the registration service to facilitate registration of the plug-in application.